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PROCEEDINGS 1 2 THE COURT: All right. Please be seated. We're here in Residential Capital, number 12-12020. 3 4 It's a continuation of the evidentiary hearing with respect to the objection of claimant Todd Silber. 5 Mr. Silber? 6 7 MR. SILBER: Good morning. THE COURT: Mr. Wishnew? Mr. Cunningham. 8 9 MR. WISHNEW: Should I reintroduce Mr. Cunningham 10 today? 11 THE COURT: Yes. Absolutely. 12 Come on up, Mr. Cunningham. You're still under oath, Mr. Cunningham. Why don't 13 14 you just have a seat? Okay. 15 MR. CUNNINGHAM: Thank you. THE COURT: First, I want to apologize to all of you. 16 17 I really had wanted to finish yesterday. I thought we would 18 have been done. 19 Because all of our judges had to be up on a bench for the public swearing in of two of the judges who, actually, were 20 21 sworn in informally a couple of months ago and have been 22 sitting, but I don't know where you live, Mr. Cunningham; I know it wasn't convenient for you to have to stay and come back 23

MR. CUNNINGHAM: Thank you.

and I apologize for that.

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1	THE COURT: Okay. And to you, as well, Mr. Silber.
2	MR. SILBER: Thank you.
3	THE COURT: I hope you were able to go home and take
4	the train in this morning.
5	MR. SILBER: A train and bus. So maybe I'll take a
6	boat home today to wrap up all three modes of transportation.
7	THE COURT: Okay. All right. So we're when we
8	broke yesterday, we were in Mr. Silber's cross-examination of
9	Mr. Cunningham. So why don't you proceed. Okay?
10	MR. SILBER: Do you need me to state who I am again
11	for the record?
12	THE COURT: Yes. Why don't you go up to the
13	MR. SILBER: Okay.
14	THE COURT: Bring your notes or whatever you need over
15	there.
16	MR. SILBER: Very well.
17	THE COURT: Okay.
18	MR. SILBER: I'll start here.
19	THE COURT: Do you have an estimate of how much time
20	you have? I'm not
21	MR. SILBER: I have no idea, Your Honor. I'm so
22	sorry. I do not know.
23	THE COURT: All right. Let's proceed.
24	MR. SILBER: I just have a lot to say.
25	THE COURT: Well

MR. SILBER: But I will try to be --1 2 THE COURT: Okay. MR. SILBER: I recognize my error yesterday; I'll be 3 4 sure to correct it for today and moving a little bit further. THE COURT: You didn't -- it wasn't an error. Look, 5 you're appearing without a lawyer. You're doing just fine. 6 7 Okay MR. SILBER: Okay. Thank you for saying that. 8 Good morning, Mr. Cunningham. 9 10 THE WITNESS: Good morning. MR. SILBER: Todd Silber for the record. Pro se 11 12 claimant 4222. 13 (Witness previously sworn) 14 CONTINUED CROSS-EXAMINATION 15 BY MR. SILBER: Q. So, if we could go back to the first modification attempt, 16 17 which is Exhibit 45, and establish that those documents were sent, in fact, on December 18th of 2009. 18 19 A. Correct. 20 Q. Page 279 of the servicing records confirms that? 21 A. Yes. 22 Q. If you go to page 277, that date is nearly three weeks 23 later, and I understand there was Christmas and a holiday, 24 weekend, but that follow-up was, actually, just a routine

collection call, and I had to inquire about what was going on

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1 with my loss mitigation.

THE COURT: You have to ask questions.

3 MR. SILBER: Oh, I'm sorry; I'm sorry.

THE COURT: You have to ask questions. You're not

5 testifying.

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6 MR. SILBER: I apologize.

7 Q. Page 277, when I was first notified of missing the -- of

8 missing the document, which was the tax returns that were later

9 faxed, was that a routine call that was made or was it a

10 follow-up call from GMAC about what was missing?

- 11 A. I'm sorry; which --
- 12 Q. I'm sorry.
- 13 A. -- are you referring to? Which --
- 14 Q. Page 277.
- 15 A. I'm sorry; which line on 277?
- 16 Q. I'm sorry; if you go down to 1/11/2010 DM, and it shows
- 17 there was a conversation there and them informing me about
- 18 collection and fees. I informed them that it's okay to receive
- 19 notice.
- 20 THE COURT: I don't see where you are. So you --
- 21 MR. SILBER: I'm sorry.
- 22 THE COURT: -- either count down the number of lines
- 23 from the top or up from the bottom.
- 24 MR. SILBER: Okay. It's going to start on number
- 25 nine.

- THE COURT: Number nine from the top?
- MR. SILBER: Yes, sir.
- THE COURT: Okay.
- 4 MR. SILBER: It's going to start on number ten; -- I
 5 beg your pardon -- with the phone number there.
- 6 THE COURT: All right. Go ahead. I see it now.
 - Q. Does that phone number indicate that you were calling me or was I calling you or do you not know?
- 9 A. I don't know.

- THE COURT: You didn't -- hold on a second -- you

 didn't make the -- this is not your contact -- the transaction

 that's recorded was not you personally?
- THE WITNESS: No. No, it wasn't.
- 14 THE COURT: Okay. I'm correct.
- 15 THE WITNESS: Correct.
- 16 THE COURT: Okay.
- 17 MR. SILBER: I beg your pardon.
- Q. Based off of what's written underneath that number in your notes, was that a routine call or was it a follow-up to my loss
- 20 mitigation application?
- 21 A. I don't know.
- 22 Q. Okay. If you received documents on the 18th, why did it
- 23 | take over two weeks to be notified there was missing documents?
- 24 A. I don't know.
- 25 Q. Is that customary for the loss mitigation to take that

1 much time?

- 2 A. Each loan has its own circumstances for a review process.
- 3 Q. I think yesterday you touched base on it, but could you
- 4 refresh my memory, what is the process when a loss mitigation
- 5 comes in through fax -- through a fax machine?
- 6 A. A workout package, you mean?
- 7 Q. Yes, sir.
- 8 A. The workout package would be reviewed to ensure that the
- 9 documents provided are complete, and if the documentation is
- 10 not complete, reach out to the customer to obtain the
- 11 additional documentation is the first step.
- 12 Second step, once all documentation is received, it will
- 13 go through our first review with the triage team before we get
- 14 under -- submitted to the underwriting team for underwriting
- 15 the loan modification, if approved.
- 16 Q. Okay. And what is the review process? I believe -- and
- 17 don't -- that yesterday, just to confirm, was it traditional
- 18 modification and then HAMP? Is that how your review process is
- 19 handled for loss mitigation applications?
- 20 A. It's -- I mentioned it's liquidation and retention
- 21 programs, liquidation programs being a deed in lieu of
- 22 foreclosure or a short sale, or retention programs which would
- 23 include traditional loan modifications for FHA, FHA-HAMP mods,
- 24 or other forbearance-type plans --
- 25 Q. Okay.

- 1 A. -- or repayment plans.
- 2 Q. If we can go to Exhibit 46 in the manila envelope?
- 3 A. Okay.
- 4 Q. This was the second modification that you had -- is this
- 5 the second modification application you received from myself?
- 6 Oh, I'm sorry; that GMAC received from myself?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. And then I'd like to go to Exhibit 28, if I could,
- 9 please, in the binder.
- 10 A. Okay.
- 11 Q. This denial letter was sent on February 25th, 2010?
- 12 A. Is that a question?
- 13 Q. Is that correct? Yes, I'm sorry.
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Is this the denial letter for the January 10th
- 16 modification -- January 2010 modification application?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Okay. Can you explain, in this letter that was sent to
- 19 me, why I was denied the modification?
- 20 A. The letter says, "The financial information provided which
- 21 shows you have insufficient income to support your request."
- 22 Q. And can you continue on with what that says, please?
- 23 A. "We recommend you consider selling your property. If the
- 24 value of your property has declined and would not result in a
- 25 | full payoff of the mortgage, please contact our office when an

- 1 offer is received so we can review for a possible short sale."
- 2 Q. Do you have any itemization or notes to help back that the
- 3 financial information provided show you have no insufficient
- 4 income -- or "you have insufficient income to support your
- 5 request"?
- 6 A. Can you ask that question again?
- 7 Q. I'm sorry. Do you have any documentation to support "The
- 8 financial information provided shows you have insufficient
- 9 income to support your request"? Any kind of underwriting,
- 10 documentation at all?
- 11 A. It's the documentation provided in your workout package.
- 12 Q. If we could go to Exhibit 27, right in front of the other
- one, this letter is dated 1/13/2010. Was this the letter of
- 14 denial for the December '09 modification attempt?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. If you go to page 2, there's a checkmark with an
- 17 | additional reason of why I was denied. So it kind of
- 18 explains -- the front -- does the front of that app -- the
- 19 front, page 1, say the same information as Exhibit 28, the
- 20 second denial letter: "Financial information provided shows
- 21 you have insufficient income to support your home, or your
- 22 request. We recommend you consider selling your property"?
- 23 A. Yes, it does.
- 24 Q. Okay. Is there a particular rea -- now, you go on page 2
- 25 of Exhibit 27; you inform me I failed front-end debt-to-income.

- 1 Is that what fail -- FEDTI means?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. Is there a particular reason why, on Exhibit 28,
- 4 the second denial letter, there's no clarification of what the
- 5 insufficient income was?
- 6 A. Can you ask that question again? I'm sorry.
- 7 Q. Can you explain why there's no additional reason for
- 8 denial on the second modification application, as in no front-
- 9 end debt-to-income, not back-end debt-to-income, anything other
- 10 than the first paragraph check; when it was done on the first
- 11 one?
- 12 A. In the letter or in the servicing notes, because
- 13 there's --
- 14 Q. In the letter that I would have received -- I'm
- 15 sorry -- in the exhibit that I received, what you sent me.
- 16 A. There was no additional information other than the
- 17 || financial information provided shows you have insufficient
- 18 income to support the request in the letter.
- 19 Q. Is there a reason why there was no additional information
- 20 added to this one when there was in the first one?
- 21 A. I mean, there's comments in the servicing notes, around
- 22 discussions that took place regarding that.
- 23 Q. Are those discussions telling -- informing me?
- 24 A. I'll refer you to the servicing notes, page 268, at the
- 25 bottom of the page, starts with "From Aaron Driscoll," the

- transaction user name. If you go halfway down, "Borrower 1 2 called in, verified info. Advised credit letters and total amount due. Breach expiration. Advise payments. Borrower 1 3 4 stated he wants to know why he was denied for mod. Advised due to unemployment benefits doesn't show verifiable income for 5 nine months. Advise if there was any other income in home. 6 7 Borrower 1 state his mother helps the needs" but I think that was the relevant part of it. 8 Q. So I called in to get clarification for this letter, then, 9 and six days later that's the conversation that was made to me? 10 11 A. Yeah. 12 Okay. Is there a particular reason why he's informing me 13 of nine months for unemployment? I think, yesterday, we 14 established that wasn't a requirement of mine. Twelve months was the requirement -- well, reasonable assurance of twelve 15
- 17 A. I believe he was stating the regular HAMP guidelines and not the FHA-HAMP guidelines --
- 19 Q. Okay.

A. -- in front of him. 20

months is the requirement.

- 21 Q. I'd like to go to the mortgage letter, Exhibit 44, 22 mortgage letter and FAQ, if I could, please.
- 23 A. Okay.
- 24 THE COURT: I'm sorry; which exhibit?
- 25 MR. SILBER: Exhibit 44 in a manila envelope.

- 1 THE COURT: Sure. Okay.
- 2 Q. Can you tell me what FHA's requirements of priority for an
- 3 FHA modification is -- for an FHA loan is? What is the order
- 4 of priority for loss mitigation?
- 5 A. Well, the requirement is for retention options first, and
- 6 then liquidation strategies after you exhaust your retention
- 7 options.
- 8 Q. Yesterday, you spoke of triage, HAMP, and then a
- 9 traditional denial. I'm not trying to hold you to that; I'm
- 10 just trying to refresh my memory. What is GMAC's position on
- 11 how it's done? Can you explain it specifically, please, again?
- 12 A. Say that again.
- 13 Q. What loss mitiga -- what loss mitigation or programs are
- 14 initiated and in what order are they initiated?
- 15 A. I think I just mentioned that the retention options
- 16 are -- such as, the FHA-HAMP modification, traditional HAMP
- 17 modifications -- partial claims, forbearance, repays; those are
- 18 retention options.
- 19 Q. That's your first?
- 20 A. That's the first.
- 21 Q. Okay.
- 22 A. Liquidation strategies are second if you exhaust all
- 23 options for retention strategy.
- 24 Q. Liquidation strategies being --
- 25 A. Short sales and deed liens.

- 1 Q. On page 3 of Exhibit 44, carried over from number 2 -- and
- 2 this is my upper right-hand corner -- "Requirements to use FHA-
- 3 HAMP. FHA-HAMP can be utilized only if the mortgagor does not
- 4 qualify for current mitigation home retention options.
- 5 Priority order: FHA special forbearance, loan modification,
- 6 and partial claim."
- Was an FHA special forbearance ever explored for me as soon as I sent a loss mitigation application to GMAC?
- 9 A. It's part of the decisioning process for loss mitigation.
- 10 Q. Does your decision -- does GMAC's decision supersede HUD
- 11 or FHA requirements in this mortgage letter?
- 12 A. I don't understand the question.
- 13 Q. The question is, does GMAC's -- does GMAC decide how to
- 14 process loss mitigation applications or must they follow FHA
- 15 guidelines on FHA loans?
- 16 A. We follow FHA guidelines.
- 17 Q. So the question is is -- is there any record of an FHA
- 18 special forbearance, the first option, explored?
- 19 A. It's part of the loss mitigation process.
- 20 Q. I think, yesterday, we touched base on the servicing
- 21 records that it's not in there at all. So we can go --
- 22 THE COURT: Ask your question.
- 23 MR. SILBER: I'm sorry.
- 24 Q. Is it in the servicing notes -- is it kept in the detailed
- 25 report anywhere that that was put in?

- 1 A. The special forbearance?
- 2 Q. The FHA special forbearance.
- 3 A. Not that I've seen. I don't recall.
- $4 \mid\mid$ Q. Okay. Are you required to keep a detailed report for HUD;
- 5 detailed records?
- 6 A. Can you clarify with regard to what, specifically?
- 7 Q. Does HUD and FHA require GMAC to keep detailed records of
- 8 all servicing notes and anything that's been said between
- 9 parties?
- 10 A. I don't know.
- 11 Q. Okay. I'd like to go to Exhibit 43, if we could, the FHA
- 12 | HUD handbook, Chapter 7. It's in the manila envelope.
- I believe it's going to be -- well, let me confirm. It's
- 14 page 19 -- excuse me -- at the top.
- 15 "7/12, review before foreclosure decision: Mortgagees
- 16 must assure that servicing files fully document that all
- 17 servicing requirements have been followed and steps have been
- 18 taken to save a mortgage prior to making a decision to
- 19 foreclosure."
- 20 So are there additional servicing files and servicing
- 21 notes to what you've provided as exhibits here today?
- 22 A. There's other systems and applications, yes.
- 23 Q. Okay. With the servicing notes that you provided, would
- 24 you say that they're fully documenting all servicing
- 25 requirements?

A. Well, I -- I think when -- I -- I had mentioned yesterday, 1 2 that in addition to servicing notes in the loan serve application system record, there's other systems such as XNet, 3 4 Looking Glass, you know, there's other applications beyond just the servicing notes that store information and data. 5 6 Q. Okay. Is -- do those notes have fully documented all the 7 loss mitigation programs that I was applied for, such as FHA forbearance, then -- in accordance with HUD stipulations, do 8 other servicing notes somewhere have the detailed requirements 9 10 of exactly what steps you took during loss mitigation process? A. I don't know. 11 12 Q. Would you say the servicing notes that we provided are 13 fully documented? The servicing notes --14 A. I don't understand your question. 15 Q. I'm sorry. Would you say that Exhibit G, the servicing notes that were provided, are fully documented? 16 17 THE COURT: C, Exhibit C is the servicing note. MR. SILBER: Oh, I'm looking at his; I'm sorry. I 18 forgot that they only put their --19 THE COURT: It's Exhibit C. 20 21 MR. SILBER: Exhibit C, I beg your pardon. 22 THE COURT: And what is your question? Q. My question is the servicing notes that I've been provided 23

in this exhibit, would you say that these are fully documenting

the information regarding loss mitigation applications of

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- 1 myself?
- 2 A. I -- I would say it's tracking the activities, but there
- 3 could be other information in some of those other systems that
- 4 I spoke to.
- 5 Q. So just not in what you provided here today?
- 6 A. Asking? I'm sorry.
- 7 Q. I think I got my answer. I got my answer, thank you. We
- 8 could move on, I'm sorry.
- 9 At any point could I have added someone who wasn't on the
- 10 current mortgage -- in an attempt for a loss mitigation, could
- 11 I have added a person to the mortgage to help me possibly push
- 12 through, using their income, their credit if it was required?
- 13 A. Yes, the guidelines allow for you to use other household
- 14 income.
- 15 Q. Okay. I can add somebody to the loss mitigation
- 16 application who isn't already on there?
- 17 A. Not somebody; other income within the household.
- 18 Q. So I wouldn't be able to add another person, okay. If we
- 19 could go back to --
- 20 THE COURT: He hadn't finished his answer.
- 21 Q. I'm sorry, go ahead.
- 22 A. I was going to say to add a person to the loan would be an
- 23 assumption.
- 24 Q. Okay.
- 25 A. So no, you can't add a person.

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            THE COURT: Stop, stop, stop.
            MR. SILBER: Sorry.
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            THE COURT: Explain, when you say you could add
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    someone, what -- explain what you do?
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            THE WITNESS: You can't add -- you cannot add someone
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    to the loss mitigation package, but you can add income from
    someone within the household, as long as it's documented
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    through --
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            THE COURT: Third party --
            THE WITNESS: -- a lease agreement, some type of, you
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    know -- income from that other party who's not on the note or
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    the mortgage can be used.
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            THE COURT: Okay.
            THE WITNESS: As long as it's documented.
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    Q. I'd like to go to Exhibit 44, then, page 5. This is my
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    Exhibit 44, which is the FHA mortgage letter 0923.
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            MR. SILBER: You know what exhibit it is of yours, Mr.
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    Wishnew?
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            MR. WISHNEW: I'm looking at your exhibits.
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            MR. SILBER: Okay.
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    A. Okay.
        "Eligibility for mortgagers", five paragraphs down, or
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    five statements down, "A new mortgager may be added to the HAMP
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    mortgage, provided at least one existing mortgager is
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- retained." Does that say I could add a new mortgager as long 1 2 as -- to the HAMP mortgage?
- A. That's assuming you get a HAMP modified loan, that you can 3 4 go through an assumption process, through the modification, because you're reunderwriting the loan, to add someone to that 5 modification. Your question earlier related to --
- 7 Q. Is that not what I just asked you earlier?

THE COURT: Don't interrupt him. 8

MR. SILBER: I'm sorry.

- 10 A. Your question earlier related to income, can you use income for purposes of the workout package. 11
- 12 Q. I believe I just asked you if I could have added somebody 13 on a loss mitigation application; that was the question.
- A. And the answer is --14
- 15 Q. Could I have added somebody --
- 16 A. -- no, you cannot.
- 17 Q. -- to the --

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- THE COURT: Stop. Both of you stop. You have to wait until he finishes his question before you answer. And then, Mr. Silber (sic), wait until you finish your answer before he asks his next question. So let's start with Mr. Silber asking a question, and you'll answer it, okay.
- 23 MR. SILBER: Okay. I guess I'd ask for the Court to 24 read --
- 25 THE COURT: I can't read it back.

- 1 MR. SILBER: Okay.
- 2 Q. Did I not just ask you --
- THE COURT: Just ask a question --
- 4 MR. SILBER: I'm sorry.
- THE COURT: -- not what you asked before. Just ask a
- 6 question.
- 7 Q. So this says a new mortgager could be added to the HAMP
- 8 mortgage. So when I filed for a loss mitigation application, I
- 9 could have added a second person to help me, a second person to
- 10 be added to the mortgage?
- 11 A. You could add their income to the workout package. So,
- 12 yes, you could add their income to your workout package.
- 13 Q. And page 5 says a new mortgager may be added to the HAMP
- 14 mortgage. It doesn't say anything on income; it says you may
- 15 add a second person?
- 16 A. To the -- I'm sorry, to the mortgage itself, the modified
- 17 mortgage. It does not reference application.
- 18 Q. Well, how else do we come --
- 19 THE COURT: Ask another question.
- MR. SILBER: Okay, sorry.
- 21 THE COURT: Let's move onto another topic, Mr. Silber.
- 22 MR. SILBER: All right.
- 23 Q. Is GMAC required to report loss mitigation applications
- 24 and information to FHA and HUD for monetary?
- 25 A. Through the SFDMS system, yes.

- 1 Q. And that's how you would -- that's how HUD would collect
- 2 data, you would say? That's the data collection process?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Okay. What does SFDMS stand for?
- 5 A. SFDMS is single family default management system.
- 6 Q. Okay.
- 7 A. It's a FHA system.
- 8 Q. So you are -- okay. So we're required to report it?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Was it ever reported to HUD or FHA to monitor my loss
- 11 mitigation application?
- 12 A. I -- I don't know.
- 13 Q. In the servicing notes that you provided, is there any
- 14 record that it was ever reported to HUD or FHA?
- 15 A. Not in the servicing notes.
- 16 | Q. Okay. And what's the purpose for the data collection from
- 17 | FHA-HUD?
- 18 A. I -- I don't know.
- 19 Q. Exhibit 44, the mortgage letter, page 10. Up in the upper
- 20 | right-hand corner, my mark.
- 21 A. Okay.
- 22 Q. "Mortgagees will continue to be required to collect and
- 23 || transmit mortgager and property data in order to ensure
- 24 compliance with the program, as well as to measure its
- 25 effectiveness. Data elements may include data needed to

- 1 perform underwriting analysis, mortgage terms, low-level data,
- 2 in order to establish loans for processing during the trial
- 3 period, to record modification details, and monthly loan
- 4 activity reports."
- 5 A. Okay.
- 6 Q. So do you think it's essential -- I can't ask that
- 7 question. You don't have any record of it being reported,
- 8 okay. We can move on.
- 9 If we go to Exhibit 47 --
- 10 A. Okay.
- 11 Q. -- the back page shows a --
- MR. SILBER: Are we all there?
- 13 THE COURT: Go ahead.
- 14 MR. SILBER: Okay.
- Q. The back page shows a tenant agreement between myself and
- 16 one Ms. Melinda Johnston.
- 17 || THE COURT: Mindy Johnston?
- 18 MR. SILBER: Mindy Johnston.
- 19 Q. And how much is that for?
- 20 A. 500 dollars a month.
- 21 Q. And it was -- and when you used this as additional income,
- 22 the GMAC used all of the 500?
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. How much did they use of it?
- 25 A. 375.

- 1 Q. Why was only seventy-five percent used?
- 2 A. That's the HUD guideline, the FHA guideline.
- 3 Q. Do you have any documentation to support that? Or could
- 4 you explain where you're getting that from?
- 5 A. Yeah, just give me one minute.
- 6 (Pause)
- 7 A. Sorry, I'm trying to find the exhibit for the HAMP -- the
- 8 FHA-HAMP. Okay, that's Exhibit 44.
- 9 Q. I believe my exhibit is 44 for that; you might have a
- 10 different one, but I believe the document's identical.
- (Pause)
- 12 A. I'm sorry, it's here. I'm just having a hard time finding
- 13 it. Sorry.
- 14 (Pause)
- 15 MR. SILBER: I believe counselor for the -- they found
- 16 | it if you want to point it out. I don't know if they're
- 17 allowed to point it out to him.
- THE COURT: They can. It's in the documents; we just
- 19 want to get to the facts.
- 20 MR. WISHNEW: Mr. Cunningham, if you could look to
- 21 Borrower Trust Exhibit M, as in Mary, page 8.
- 22 THE COURT: Make sure it's the --
- 23 THE WITNESS: I believe I know what document they're
- 24 referring to.
- 25 A. So because the FHA-HAMP program was silent on -- with

- 1 regard to rental income, you relied on the regular HAMP
- 2 guidelines to provide --
- 3 Q. So it says that --
- 4 A. -- the seventy percent, the seventy-five percent.
- 5 Q. So it says it in the HAMP guidelines --
- 6 A. The regular HAMP.
- 7 Q. -- it doesn't say it in the FHA-HAMP guidelines?
- 8 A. It's silent in the FHA-HAMP guidelines.
- 9 Q. Can you -- can you point out where you would --
- 10 THE COURT: Let's not get into an argument.
- MR. SILBER: Okay, sorry.
- 12 THE COURT: Okay. Just ask your questions. He's
- 13 answered your question.
- 14 MR. SILBER: Okay.
- 15 THE COURT: Ask your next question.
- 16 MR. SILBER: Okay. Can I point out something? Page
- 17 | 11 of the Exhibit 44 --
- 18 THE COURT: Okay.
- MR. SILBER: -- the mortgage letter, the FHA mortgage
- 20 letter, page 11 of Exhibit 44.
- 21 Q. At the top it says, "Basic program guidelines".
- 22 A. I'm sorry, where?
- 23 Q. Are you on page 11 of my Exhibit 44?
- 24 A. Your page 11, or the FAQ page 11?
- 25 Q. Yeah, my page 11, in the top right-hand corner. I'm

- 1 sorry.
- 2 A. Yes, I'm there.
- 3 Q. Okay. "Basic program guidelines."
- 4 A. Section A, yes.
- 5 Q. "In general" -- if you go all the way down to number 4.
- 6 "In general, when an issue is not addressed can we follow HAMP
- 7 rules?" You see where it asks that question?
- 8 A. Um-hum.
- 9 Q. And the next page, page 12, upper right-hand corner, it
- 10 says, "No, FHA-HAMP applies only to FHA-insured mortgages.
- 11 Consequently, when an issue is not specifically addressed in"
- 12 this mortgage letter ... "servicers to other mortgagee letters
- 13 for FHA modifications and FHA partial claim guidance". So I
- 14 don't see where it says you default to HAMP.
- 15 A. I was stating a business practice.
- 16 Q. And does your business practice supersede FHA guidelines?
- 17 Can you overrule FHA and HUD guidelines?
- 18 A. Well, it didn't overrule; it gave us a guideline to
- 19 utilize that was silent in the FHA modification program.
- 20 Q. I think I've made my point on that, thank you.
- 21 THE COURT: Just ask questions.
- MR. SILBER: Sorry.
- $23\parallel$ Q. At the time that that lease agreement was given to you in
- 24 the servicing records, was it being reviewed for a HAMP
- 25 modification, or an FHA-HAMP modification?

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1 A. Do you have a page or --
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- 2 Q. I'm sorry, I can look it up; I thought we touched based on
- 3 it yesterday. I can just --
- 4 A. Yeah, I think we did, also.
- 5 THE COURT: Servicing notes only refer to HAMP, not 6 FHA-HAMP.
- 7 THE WITNESS: Correct.
- 8 THE COURT: We went through this yesterday.
- 9 MR. SILBER: Okay. So we made -- okay, we made the
- 10 point.
- 11 THE COURT: I have it in mind.
- MR. SILBER: Thank you, I'm sorry.
- THE COURT: That's okay. Let's move on.
- 14 Although, my recollection of his testimony yesterday,
- 15 Mr. Silber, is even though it said HAMP it was for an FHA-HAMP
- 16 modification that was being reviewed, but that was what I
- 17 remember the testimony to be. I know --
- 18 MR. SILBER: Okay.
- 19 THE COURT: -- what the servicing notes say.
- 20 MR. SILBER: Okay. I guess I'll have to ask that
- 21 que -- I don't recall that.
- 22 THE COURT: Go ahead, ask a question.
- 23 Q. If it says HAMP inside the servicing notes, even though it
- 24 says HAMP, it was being reviewed for FHA-HAMP?
- 25 A. Correct.

- 1 Q. And do we have any documentation that supports that? Loss
- 2 mitigation applications -- I'm sorry, underwriting, breakdowns,
- 3 servicing notes, records of any kind that supports it was being
- 4 reviewed for FHA?
- 5 A. I'd have to go through the whole servicing history, so I
- 6 don't know.
- 7 THE COURT: Go ahead.
- MR. SILBER: Okay.
- 9 Q. If we can go to your servicing notes, page 259.
- 10 THE COURT: This is Exhibit C.
- 11 MR. SILBER: Exhibit C, I beg your pardon.
- 12 THE COURT: No, I'll just add that to --
- 13 THE WITNESS: Okay.
- 14 Q. If you go thirteen up from the bottom, so above where Kay
- 15 Frey (ph.) is there and you enter the discussion with Aaron
- 16 Driscoll.
- 17 It says that, "You are unemployed and receiving benefits,
- 18 and advised if not showing nine months of guaranteed months, we
- 19 will not look into options"?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. You see where it says that?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Did the nine months of guaranteed unemployment, was it a
- 24 requirement of mine, for other options?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Was the first requirement in the mortgage letter of loss
- 2 mitigation for a HAMP program or an FHA program?
- 3 A. I'm sorry, say it again?
- 4 Q. In the mortgage letter, we established earlier the order
- 5 of priority for loss mitigation on FHA applications.
- 6 A. Okay.
- 7 Q. Did it say the first priority was for HAMP or for FHA-
- 8 HAMP? I'm sorry, did it say it was for HAMP or for an FHA
- 9 forbearance plan?
- 10 A. It special forbearance.
- 11 Q. FH -- okay. Well, let's go back a minute, take a look.
- 12 So the first priority is an FHA special forbearance?
- 13 A. If I can go back to the document, I believe that's what it
- 14 says.
- 15 Q. Page 45.
- 16 A. I think we concur.
- 17 Q. Yet the conversation with Aaron says, "Nine months of
- 18 guaranteed or will not look into any other options." When is
- 19 the nine months of unemployment guaranteed required? What
- 20 program?
- 21 A. Well, I think in these servicing notices you're referring
- 22 to after it was evaluated multiple times for the FHA programs.
- 23 So I --
- 24 Q. Well, there's no FHA pro --
- THE COURT: Please stop. Go ahead with your answer.

- A. His comment's alluding to "it's been reviewed for the FHA programs" and I believe that comment to be that for retention options you would need to provide that additional
- Q. Can you point out where he's telling me it was already reviewed for FHA-HAMP?

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- A. It's in the history. It's in the months prior leading up
 to that discussion. And as part of the process when a borrower
 calls in here, discussing working -- you know, working with the
 homeowner, you look at the history of the loan before you have
 that discussion. So it's inherent in the history.
 - Q. That day when I spoke to him, that conversation alone,
 does it reference anything about FHA, special forbearance --

THE COURT: I can read it as well as anybody else. If you're asking what the document says, I see it. Let's move on.

MR. SILBER: Okay. I'm sorry. I --

THE COURT: Okay. You're fencing with the witness about a conversation he didn't have, about what's written on a piece of paper that is in front of me. I've read it. Ask your next question.

MR. SILBER: Okay, sorry.

- Q. Is FHA loss mitigation mandatory -- to be reviewed for FHA loss mitigation, is it mandatory?
- A. It was -- we had it in place. I mean, the mandatory -- GMAC followed the FHA guidelines.

- Q. I guess yes or no, is it mandatory for you to follow to
- 2 participate in FHA loss mitigation?
- 3 A. I don't know.
- $4 \parallel$ Q. Can we go back to Exhibit 44, page 15, please? My page
- 5 15, in the upper right-hand corner.
- 6 A. Okay.
- 7 Q. If we go down to number 15, the question is asked, "Is
- 8 this program mandatory or required to solicit buyers when they
- 9 qualify?" "Yes, the evaluation of FHA borrowers for loss
- 10 mitigation is mandatory." Do you see that?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Do you dispute that statement in any way?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Okay, I think we can move on. If you can go to
- 15 Exhibit -- I guess that's an argument. Sorry, beg your pardon.
- 16 Prior to the foreclosure, was I considered for all loss
- 17 | mitigation programs according to FHA guidelines?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Are you incentivized by HUD or FHA to modify loans? I'm
- 20 sorry, was GMAC incentivized by HUD, FHA to modify loans to
- 21 avoid foreclosures?
- 22 A. Yeah.
- 23 Q. I'd like to go to your declaration now, if we could:
- 24 notice of declaration of David Cunningham.
- 25 You spoke yesterday, briefly, and then we had to cut it

- RESIDENTIAL CAPITAL, LLC, ET AL short, about the forbearance plan that was offered. Did we 1 2 enter an agreement for a forbearance plan? A. Yes. 3 4 Q. And the forbearance plan was for how much? A. It was half your contractual monthly payment. You need 5 the exact dollar amount? 6 7 Q. Please. THE COURT: Could you point him to the place, so we 8 9 can move along. 10 MR. SILBER: Of where the dollar amount is? 11 THE COURT: Yes. 12 MR. SILBER: Well, the contractual monthly payment was 13 made --THE COURT: Is it in the declaration? 14 MR. SILBER: No. It's -- oh, it is, I'm sorry. 15 16 MR. WISHNEW: Paragraph 22, Your Honor. 17 THE COURT: Paragraph 22. MR. SILBER: Thank you, Mr. Wishnew. 18 A. \$995.40. 19 And did I make all six payments? 20
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 THE COURT: We covered this yesterday.
- 23 MR. SILBER: I didn't know where left off, Your Honor,
- 24 I'm sorry.
- 25 THE COURT: You asked him about it, and he said you

- 1 made all the payments.
- MR. SILBER: Okay.
- 3 Q. Was a payment ever refused, according to that plan?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Number 24 it says, "The debtors mistakenly returned the
- 6 claimant's first payment under the forbearance plan." Number
- 7 24 of your declaration?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 THE COURT: It's paragraph 24 on page 9. Go ahead.
- 10 THE WITNESS: Yes.
- 11 MR. SILBER: Page 9, I'm sorry. Page 9.
- 12 Q. So was the first payment refused underneath the
- 13 forbearance plan?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Okay.
- 16 A. But shortly thereafter it was corrected, if you go to the
- 17 service agreement.
- 18 Q. If we can go to my Exhibit 41 inside my three-ring binder.
- 19 A. Okay.
- 20 Q. I thought I had the document number up top of where that's
- 21 from. I'm just looking it up, so I can tell you exactly what
- 22 that's from.
- 23 Okay. That is from document 8160, the "ResCap Borrower
- 24 Claims Trust's Reply in Support of its Objection to Claim
- 25 Number 4222 Filed by Todd Silber". That's just a page from it,

1 page 60, or my Exhibit 41 is a page from it.

At the bottom of that page, in the original objection, it says, "The Borrower's Trust mistakenly identified the rejected payment as the first payment on the forbearance plan, when, in fact, it was the second payment."

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- 7 Q. In your declaration you're saying it's the first payment.
- 8 Could I just have some clarification? Was it the first payment or second payment?

10 (Pause)

- A. I'm sorry. Just give me one minute.
- MR. WISHNEW: Your Honor, if I could ask a question to try and move this along?
- 14 THE COURT: No.
- MR. WISHNEW: Okay.

(Pause)

- 17 A. I believe it was the second.
- 18 THE COURT: What are you referring to?
- 19 THE WITNESS: The servicing notes on page 243 and page
- 20 244. On page 244 it alludes to on June 1st -- it says the
- 21 borrow -- I'm sorry. Middle of the page. It says,
- 22 "The borrower signed a six month forbearance plan and we have received the first payment and signed agreement."
- And then, if you refer to page 243, it speaks to the returned check.

- THE COURT: All right. Ask your next question, Mr. 2 Silber.
- Q. If we can go to your declaration, page 5, number 11. Well, let's start at number 10.
- "GMACM serviced the loan from the time it was originated on
 November, 2008 until servicing of the loan was transferred to
 Ocwen, February 16, 2013." "Attached hereto as Exhibit G,
 GMACM assigned the mortgage to Ocwen on April 18, 2014. See
 Ocwen Assignment, attached hereto."
 - Number 11 says: "At the time servicing was transferred to Ocwen, the claimant had not made a mortgage payment since July 30, 2010 and the loan was past due for the December 1, 2009 payment."
- 14 A. Okay.

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- Q. Mr. Cunningham, you just told the Court that we had a sixmonth forbearance plan. Yesterday it was from June of 2010
- till November of 2010; that I made all six payments. So I just
 want to know where that information is coming from.
- A. If you refer to page 1 of the servicing note, the payment history, it's actually -- it was not July 30th. In the middle

of the page it says "Last Payment October 29th of 2010."

- 22 Q. In what? I'm sorry?
- 23 A. October 29th of 2010. It's in the middle of the page on 24 page 1 in servicing notes.
- 25 Q. I know what it says in the servicing notes, Mr. Cunningham.

- 1 I'm just wondering where you're getting that statement from,
- 2 why that statement was made.
- 3 A. I think that was just an error.
- 4 Q. That's the -- July 30th was the second month of the
- 5 forbearance plan?
- 6 A. It was the second month, yes.
- 7 Q. July was the second month.
- 8 A. Because it started in June.
- 9 Q. And July was the month that you sent back the payment
- 10 in -- wrongfully refused my payment.
- 11 A. Correct.
- 12 Q. Correct? Okay. If HUD was monitoring and saw that I
- 13 failed at a repayment plan such as a forbearance plan, would it
- 14 terminate me from being eligible from further FHA benefits?
- 15 A. I don't know.
- 16 Q. You can go to the mortgage letter, if you don't mind.
- 17 Exhibit 44.
- 18 (Pause)
- 19 Q. If we can go to page 20? I apologize for the delay in
- 20 finding it. Page 20 on Exhibit 44, my page 20 in the upper
- 21 right-hand corner, number 3 at the very, very bottom underneath
- 22 "Trial Modification":
- 23 To clarify, no matter what circumstances that occurred, if
- 24 | a borrower breaks the trial plan arrangements they are not
- 25 eligible for another HAMP?"

1	And if you go to page 21, it says "correct" as the answer.					
2	MR. WISHNEW: Is there a question, Your Honor?					
3	THE COURT: Not so far.					
4	MR. SILBER: I beg your pardon?					
5	MR. WISHNEW: You simply					
6	THE COURT: Do you have a question?					
7	MR. WISHNEW: You simply stated something on the					
8	record.					
9	THE COURT: You have to ask a question.					
10	MR. WISHNEW: What's the question to Mr. Cunningham?					
11	THE COURT: You've pointed out the					
12	MR. SILBER: Oh, I asked a question. He said he					
13	didn't know. I was pointing out the answer. I'm sorry. I'm					
14	sorry.					
15	THE COURT: Well, you don't point out answers.					
16	MR. SILBER: I'm sorry.					
17	THE COURT: If you want to ask him about					
18	MR. SILBER: Okay.					
19	THE COURT: Now, Mr. Silber, there comes a point in a					
20	cross-examination where it begins to become diminishing					
21	returns. You're well past that point.					
22	MR. SILBER: I'm sorry.					
23	Q. If I were to move out of my house, if I abandon my					
24	property, if I leave, I move out, I have a change in address,					
25	does that disqualify me from participating in any FHA-HAMP					

- 1 benefits?
- 2 A. I don't know.
- 3 THE COURT: Mr. Silber, what relevance does that have
- 4 to this dispute?
- 5 MR. SILBER: Okay. All right.
- 6 THE COURT: You weren't rejected from a modification
- 7 because you moved out of the house.
- 8 MR. SILBER: I'm sorry.
- 9 THE COURT: You weren't rejected because you allegedly
- 10 missed a payment or didn't miss a payment. So your cross-
- 11 examination has to be relevant to the dispute that's before me.
- 12 Not hypothetical about what might have happened to somebody
- 13 else under other circumstances.
- I don't want to lecture you, okay? But I want this to
- 15 conclude.
- 16 MR. SILBER: Okay.
- THE COURT: You're entitled to cross-examine him on
- 18 matters that are relevant to your specific case.
- MR. SILBER: Okay. Okay.
- 20 Q. Did you report to HUD that I moved out of my home? Or I
- 21 changed my address?
- 22 A. I don't know.
- 23 MR. WISHNEW: Object.
- MR. SILBER: It's relevant to my case for monetary.
- 25 I'm sorry.

RESIDENTIAL CAPITAL, LLC, ET AL 40 1 THE COURT: You ask him a question. He answered the 2 question. 3 MR. SILBER: Okay. 4 THE COURT: Ask your next question. MR. SILBER: Okay. I guess I'm done. 5 6 THE COURT: All right. Any redirect? 7 MR. SILBER: I will rest with a question. 8 THE COURT: All right. 9 MR. SILBER: Let me just make sure. I'm sorry. Let 10 me --11 I'm sorry. 12 (Pause) 13 MR. SILBER: I guess there's no further questions to 14 Mr. Cunningham. 15 THE COURT: All right. MR. SILBER: I am drawing a blank, and I'm --16 17 THE COURT: Mr. Wishnew, any redirect? 18 MR. WISHNEW: Yes, Your Honor. 19 MR. SILBER: I'm just upsetting everybody. REDIRECT EXAMINATION 20 21 BY MR. WISHNEW: 22 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Cunningham. 23 A. Good afternoon. 24

Q. I'm going to take you through a couple of exhibits, just to address some of the points that Mr. Silber raised on his cross.

- I'd like to draw your attention first to Mr. Silber's
 Exhibit 45.
- 3 A. Okay.
- $4\parallel$ Q. In the table, where the right-hand column says
- 5 documentation required, and five items down, what does it
- 6 provide is required for documentation related to unemployment
- 7 or public assistance?
- 8 A. That says, "Copy of benefits statement or letter from the
- 9 provider that states the amount, frequency and duration of the
- 10 benefit. Such benefit must continue for at least nine months
- 11 to be considered for qualifying income."
- 12 Q. Okay. Thank you. If I could draw your attention to
- Borrower's Trust Exhibit G, as in guy, specifically, when you
- 14 get there, if you could read the last paragraph on the first
- 15 page.
- 16 A. "The Loss Mitigation Department completed their review on
- 17 | January 13, 2010; however, they were unable to approve a loan
- 18 modification. The account did not qualify for a traditional
- 19 modification as the only income was unemployment; therefore, it
- 20 was reviewed for the FHA-HAMP. Based on a monthly gross income
- 21 of \$3,677.92, your back-end DTI was 73 percent making you
- 22 ineligible for the FHA-HAMP."
- 23 Q. Okay. Thank you. And then I'd like to also then draw your
- 24 attention to paragraph 18 of your declaration.
- 25 A. Okay.

- 1 Q. And is it your understanding that it was GMAC Mortgage's
- 2 business practice to sometimes review an account based on a
- 3 borrower's unemployment income, even though the borrower had
- 4 not yet provided documentation demonstrating proof of the
- 5 duration of that unemployment income?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. And if I could now turn your attention to Exhibit M,
- 8 as in Mary.
- 9 A. Okay.
- 10 Q. And what is this document?
- 11 A. I'm sorry. I might be looking at the wrong one.
- 12 This is the regular HAMP program.
- MR. SILBER: What exhibit?
- MR. WISHNEW: M.
- 15 THE WITNESS: M.
- MR. SILBER: M?
- 17 Q. Is it the regular HAMP program or FHA's HAMP loss
- 18 mitigation? They're going to --
- 19 MR. WISHNEW: Okay. Sorry. My apologies. Strike
- 20 that question, Your Honor.
- 21 Q. If I could refer you to page 6?
- 22 A. Okay.
- 23 Q. And, specifically, the paragraph beginning the borrower's
- 24 monthly gross income.
- 25 A. Read that paragraph?

- 1 Q. Well, what does -- if it says -- if I could refer you to
- 2 the last sentence of that paragraph, would you mind reading
- 3 that?
- 4 A. "If only net income is available, the servicer must
- 5 multiply the net income amount by 1.25 to estimate the monthly
- 6 gross income."
- 7 Q. Okay. And if I could --
- 8 MR. SILBER: What page? I'm sorry.
- 9 MR. WISHNEW: That was page 6 of Exhibit M.
- 10 MR. SILBER: Page 6 of Exhibit M. Thank you.
- 11 Q. And if I could turn your attention back to Exhibit E, as in
- 12 Edward, once I --
- 13 MR. WISHNEW: Strike that.
- 14 Q. Let me turn your attention back to Silber Exhibit 45.
- 15 A. Okay.
- MR. WISHNEW: Your Honor, may I approach the witness
- 17 with a calculator from my phone?
- 18 THE COURT: Yes.
- MR. WISHNEW: Thank you.
- 20 Q. Okay. Looking at Silber 45, what was Mr. Silber's net
- 21 weekly unemployment payments?
- 22 If I could direct you to his, what's marked as page 9.
- 23 A. 679 dollars.
- Q. Okay. And so using the calculator I've handed to you, how
- 25 would you calculate the net monthly income off of the net

- 1 payment?
- 2 A. Multiply the weekly payment times four to get to the
- 3 monthly.
- 4 Q. Well, since there's a little bit more than four weeks in
- 5 each month, would it be more appropriate to multiple it by the
- 6 fifty-two weeks in a year and then divide that by twelve?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Okay. Can you, using the calculator I've given to you, do
- 9 that calculation? So 679 times 52 divided by 12.
- 10 A. \$2942.33.
- 11 Q. Okay. And in the guidelines that we were referring to
- 12 reference multiplying --
- 13 MR. SILBER: Which exhibit? I'm sorry. In the
- 14 guidelines of which exhibit?
- MR. WISHNEW: That was Exhibit M, as in Mary.
- 16 Q. Referenced when using unemployment multiplying it by 1.25
- 17 | to get the monthly gross income. Is that correct?
- 18 A. Correct.
- 19 Q. Okay. Could you multiply the sum you had times 1.25?
- 20 A. \$3,677.92, I think.
- 21 Q. Okay. And if I could turn you back to Exhibit G.
- 22 A. Okay.
- 23 \parallel Q. What is the monthly gross income evaluate -- I'm
- 24 sorry -- the monthly gross income mentioned in the last
- 25 paragraph on the first page of Exhibit G?

- 1 A. \$3,677.92.
- 2 Q. Okay. If I could now ask you to look to the servicing
- 3 notes at Borrower's Trust Exhibit C, as in cat, page 277.
- 4 A. Okay.
- Q. And, specifically, the third line from the top, where it
- 6 says, "007 Retarget Cit 854 to 26935 to go to Express DTI".
- 7 Does this suggest -- does this notation suggest that GMAC
- 8 Mortgage used the unemployment income provided by Mr. Silber to
- 9 determine whether he qualified for a loan modification?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Okay. So they use the monthly income. They valued it and
- 12 determined that it didn't fall within the applicable DTI ratio
- 13 required under FHA.
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Okay. Okay. And so, again, going back to paragraph 18 of
- 16 your declaration, you stated that in March, 2010 Mr. Silber's
- 17 | account was reviewed for a loan modification using the
- 18 unemployment information he provided even though he did not
- 19 demonstrate the length of that unemployment income. Is that
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. And then if I could take you back, and I apologize
- 23 || for the back-and-forth, but if I could take you back to Exhibit
- 24 G.
- 25 A. Okay.

- Q. Page 2. Is this review -- is the review I just described reflected in the letter?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. Okay. And is that in -- and is that -- let's see.

 If I could take you then to Exhibit C, as in cat, page 268.
- 6 A. Okay.
- Q. Is the reviewer just discussing the notified -- or, I'm sorry, indicated on the -- in the servicing notes at -- on the top half of the page?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Okay. So the review that was conducted in March, 2010, is
- 12 it fair to say that review is similar to the review conducted
- 13 by GMAC Mortgage of Mr. Silber's unemployment income in
- 14 January, 2010, prior to the denial?
- 15 A. Yeah.
- 16 Q. Okay. So then is it your testimony today that the denials,
- 17 the January denial, was not for a lack of documentation but for
- 18 a lack of income?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Okay. Thank you. Mr. Silber made note that -- or just
- 21 made -- was trying to make the point that the servicing notes
- 22 only say HAMP. But even though the servicing notes say HAMP,
- 23 and this was an FHA-insured loan, does the indication of HAMP
- 24 in the notes equate to the loan being serviced or mean that the
- 25 loan was being serviced under FHA-HAMP guidelines?

- THE COURT: I'm sorry. Can you ask that again?
- 2 A. I don't understand your question.
- 3 MR. WISHNEW: Let me strike that question and rephrase
- 4 it.
- 5 Q. Mr. Silber had an FHA-insured loan, correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Okay. And when he was considered for loan modification
- 8 options, he was considered under FHA-HAMP guidelines.
- 9 A. Yeah.
- 10 Q. And so even though the servicing notes might say HAMP and
- 11 not FHA-HAMP, that doesn't mean he was not considered under
- 12 FHA-HAMP. Correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. Okay. Thank you. You've mentioned the SFDMS system. And
- 15 that was a reporting system for FHA HUD?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Okay. And GMAC generally reported to -- yeah -- sorry.
- Did GMAC service hundreds, thousands, hundreds or
- 19 many -- hundreds, thousands, or ten of thousands of FHA-insured
- 20 loans?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Okay. And so Mr. Silber's was one of many of FHA-insured
- 23 loans that GMAC Mortgage serviced.
- 24 A. Correct.
- 25 Q. And GMAC Mortgage regularly reported to HUD or to FHA HUD

- 1 on those loans through the SFDMS system.
- 2 A. Yes, they did.
- 3 Q. Okay. Mr. Silber also raised the point about the rental
- 4 income and the fact that 75 percent was used as opposed to,
- 5 say, the full 500 dollars. If the full 500 dollars was used,
- 6 would the decision, at the end of the day, have been any
- 7 different? Would he still have been denied, because of a lack
- 8 of affordability, for the loan modification?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 MR. WISHNEW: Just one moment, Your Honor.
- 12 Q. Now, well, if I could take you to Silber Exhibit 44?
- 13 | Specifically, the page marked 5 in the top right-hand corner.
- 14 A. Okay.
- 15 Q. Mr. Silber was hollering that fourth line -- I'm
- 16 sorry-- the fifth line down saying,
- 17 "A new mortgagor may be added to the HAMP mortgage."
- If you could look at the fourth line down, or the one
- 19 above, that says,
- 20 "The mortgagors must be an owner-occupant." Did Mr. Silber
- 21 ever provide evidence of an owner-occupant that would make this
- 22 mortgagor eligible to be added for him?
- 23 MR. WISHNEW: Strike that question. Let me rephrase.
- 24 Q. Mr. Silber provided rental, evidence of rental income in
- 25 connection with the loan modification application, correct?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. Okay. He never provided any evidence of an owner-occupant,
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. Okay.
- 6 THE COURT: Are you done, Mr. Wishnew?
- 7 MR. WISHNEW: Yes, Your Honor. I have no more
- 8 questions.
- 9 THE COURT: All right. I'm going to take the matter
- 10 under submission.
- 11 MR. WISHNEW: Okay.
- 12 THE COURT: Do you rest, Mr. Wishnew?
- MR. WISHNEW: I do rest, Your Honor, unless you want
- 14 to hear closing statements.
- 15 THE COURT: No, I don't.
- 16 MR. SILBER: May I say one more thing? I just have
- 17 two questions --
- 18 THE COURT: Very quickly.
- MR. SILBER: -- two questions to ask.
- 20 THE COURT: All right. Go ahead. Please.
- 21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: I'm counting.
- 22 BY MR. SILBER:
- 23 MR. SILBER: Okay. Sorry. Exhibit 33.
- Q. Okay. It says number 2 -- it says "Variance. A lender is
- 25 required to submit this form. Any loss/mitigation applications

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where all HUD requirements have not been met. These variances
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    are submitted via EVAR system. All variances are considered on
    a case-by-case."
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            THE COURT: Okay. Examinations are supposed to go
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    like a pyramid, okay? So you're entitled to ask about anything
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    Mr. Wishnew covered in his examination.
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            MR. SILBER: Okay.
            THE COURT: This is not among them.
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            MR. SILBER: Okay. I'm sorry?
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            THE COURT: You already covered variance.
            MR. SILBER: I beg your pardon?
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            THE COURT: I'm not reopening the door to move
    examination.
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            MR. SILBER: Mr. Wishnew just touched based on your
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    requirements in the nine months of unemployment.
         What is FHA's requirement for unemployment?
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            THE COURT: You've covered that so many times.
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            MR. SILBER: Oh, I'm sorry.
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            THE COURT: But look, you know, that --
            THE COURT: Mr. Silber?
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            MR. SILBER: Yes, sir?
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            THE COURT: He probably told you six times that FHA-
    HAMP is twelve months. The servicing notes show repeatedly
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    that they told you nine months.
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            MR. SILBER: Okay. Scratch that up.
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THE COURT: But his testimony is even considering the unemployment Okay? But his testimony is, even considering the unemployment income, you didn't qualify. I'm not sure what the -- how the nine versus twelve months make a difference as a result.

MR. SILBER: Okay.

THE COURT: But you established in your crossexamination of him, multiple times he told you FHA-HAMP is
twelve months. You pointed out lots of places in the servicing
notes that keep telling you nine months. Is there some
different point you're trying to make now?

MR. SILBER: No, not on that. I'm sorry. Okay.

- Q. Can you calculate how back-end debt- to-income is done? I don't remember what you said yesterday.
 - A. Okay. The back-end debt-to-income is your monthly gross income divided by your household expenses.
- 17 | Q. Can you --

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- A. So it would be your mortgage payment, which would be principal, interest, taxes, and insurance, plus, you know, household expenses such as, you know, car loan, typically things you would see on a credit report. So car loans, credit cards, utilities, things like that. That would have been
- Q. Okay. I'd like to go to the mortgage letter, Exhibit 40 -THE COURT: You're asked your two questions.

1	MR. SILBER: I'm sorry.				
2	THE COURT: You know?				
3	MR. SILBER: I'm sorry.				
4	THE COURT: What question are you trying to ask him				
5	now?				
6	MR. SILBER: I guess that's the question, and he gave				
7	his answer and his position. We'll argue we'll have an				
8	argument afterwards, or do I				
9	THE COURT: We're not having argument. I'm taking it				
10	under submission. I understand each side's positions. There's				
11	been lots of briefing.				
12	MR. SILBER: Okay.				
13	THE COURT: This was the evidentiary hearing. I've				
14	heard all the evidence. I'm taking it under submission. And				
15	I'll render a decision.				
16	All right. We're adjourned.				
17	MR. WISHNEW: Thank you, Your Honor.				
18	MR. SILBER: I didn't speak on the EHLP. Can I just				
19	point out one thing? Please? I'll just point it out. One				
20	thing.				
21	MR. WISHNEW: Your Honor, that wasn't the subject of				
22	redirect.				
23	THE COURT: It wasn't the subject of Mr. Wishnew's				
24	examina look, Mr. Silber.				
25	MR. SILBER: I'm sorry. You're right.				

1	THE COURT: I'm bending over backwards
2	MR. SILBER: I appreciate it.
3	THE COURT: to allow you to ask, you know, you're
4	not a lawyer, although you do pretty well. I got to tell you.
5	Okay? But there are certain things that whether you're a
6	lawyer or not a lawyer, that are rules that apply. Okay? You
7	cross-examined them at length. I gave you a lot off leeway.
8	Mr. Wishnew asked redirect. You're entitled to ask
9	questions focused solely on what he covered in redirect. What
LO	you've been doing is going back over issues you covered the
L1	first time around. And that's not going to happen.
L2	We're adjourned.
L3	MR. WISHNEW: Thank you, Your Honor.
L4	THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your Honor.
15	(Whereupon these proceedings were concluded at 12:43 PM)
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